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Docket No.: 19036/37425A  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:  
Kazuhiko Ueda et al.

Application No.: 10/764,759

Confirmation No.: 8775

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Art Unit: 1761

For: POLYSACCHARIDE CAPABLE OF  
REDUCING THE VISCOSITY OF A  
HYDRATED PSYLLIUM AND FOODS  
CONTAINING THE POLYSACCHARIDE  
AND PSYLLIUM

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated December 12, 2006, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.